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ARMAMENT APPARATUS AND ASSOCIATED METHODS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Entry of the following preliminary amendment in the aboveidentified patent application, prior to the examination thereof, is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.